

3057. A letter from the Federal Co-Chairman, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation that would reauthorize the work of the Appalachian Regional Commission, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3058. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Implementation of Equal Access to Justice Act in Agency Proceedings [Docket No. OST-96-1421] (RIN: 2105-AB73) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3059. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Ticketless Travel: Passenger Notices [Docket No. OST-96-993] (RIN: 2105-AC36) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3060. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Vessel Inspection User Fees (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 96-067] (RIN: 2115-AF40) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3061. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone: Potomac River, Point Lookout to Hull Neck (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD05-97-011] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3062. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone: Oceanside, CA (U.S. Coast Guard) [COTF San Diego; 97-001] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3063. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Southern Branch, Elizabeth River, Portsmouth, Virginia (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 05-97-004] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3064. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Regulated Navigation Area Regulations; Lower Mississippi River (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD08-97-008] (RIN: 2115-AE84) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3065. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulated Navigation Area; Puget Sound and Adjacent Waters, WA—Regulated Navigation Area (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD13-97-003] (RIN: 2115-AE84) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3066. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Electrical Engineering Requirements for Merchant Vessels (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 94-108] (RIN: 2115-AF24) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3067. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Availability of Interpretations of Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Safety Regulations (Research and

Special Programs Administration) [Docket No. RSP-3] (RIN: 2137-AD00) received April 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3068. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Archaeological and Ethnological Material From Canada [T.D. 97-31] (RIN: 1515-AC14) received April 18, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3069. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Surface Transportation Safety Act of 1997"; jointly, to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Commerce, and the Judiciary.

#### ¶41.5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 968, An Act to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to permit a waiver of the prohibition of offering nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs in certain nursing facilities.

H.R. 1001. An Act to extend the term of appointment of certain members of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission.

#### ¶41.6 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. 129

Mr. LINDER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 136):

*Resolved*, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the resolution (H. Res. 129) providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Fifth Congress. The resolution shall be considered as read for amendment. The amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on House Oversight now printed in the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution, as amended, to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Oversight; and (2) one motion to recommit.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. LINDER, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

#### ¶41.7 COMMITTEE FUNDING

Mr. THOMAS, pursuant to House Resolution 136, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 129):

*Resolved*,

#### SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred Fifth Congress, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accordance with this

primary expense resolution, not more than the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each committee named in that subsection.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$7,656,162; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$8,901,617; Committee on the Budget, \$9,940,000; Committee on Commerce, \$14,576,580; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$10,125,113; Committee on House Oversight, \$6,100,946; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$4,815,526; Committee on International Relations, \$10,368,358; Committee on the Judiciary, \$10,699,572; Committee on National Security, \$9,756,708; Committee on Resources, \$9,876,550; Committee on Rules, \$4,649,102; Committee on Science, \$8,677,830; Committee on Small Business, \$3,906,941; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$2,456,300; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$12,483,000; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$4,344,160; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$11,066,841.

#### SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 1997, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 1998.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$3,791,039; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$4,363,817; Committee on the Budget, \$4,970,000; Committee on Commerce, \$7,122,959; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$5,002,127; Committee on House Oversight, \$3,093,200; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$2,358,040; Committee on International Relations, \$5,145,358; Committee on the Judiciary, \$5,054,800; Committee on National Security, \$4,729,454; Committee on Resources, \$4,800,014; Committee on Rules, \$2,306,407; Committee on Science, \$4,263,672; Committee on Small Business, \$1,936,471; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$1,276,300; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$6,141,500; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$2,084,368; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$5,387,934.

#### SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 1998, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 1999.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$3,865,123; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$4,537,800; Committee on the Budget, \$4,970,000; Committee on Commerce, \$7,453,621; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$5,122,986; Committee on House Oversight, \$3,007,746; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$2,457,486; Committee on International Relations, \$5,223,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$5,644,772; Committee on National Security, \$5,027,254; Committee on Resources, \$5,076,536; Committee on Rules, \$2,342,695; Committee on Science, \$4,414,158; Committee on Small Business, \$1,970,470; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$1,180,000; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$6,341,500; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$2,259,792; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$5,678,907.

**SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

Payments under this resolution shall be made on vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by the chairman of such committee, and approved in the manner directed by the Committee on House Oversight.

**SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.**

Amounts made available under this resolution shall be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Oversight.

**SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.**

The Committee on House Oversight shall have authority to make adjustments in amounts under section 1, if necessary to comply with an order of the President issued under section 254 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or to conform to any reduction in appropriations for the purposes of such section 1.

**SEC. 7. OFFSET OF INCREASE IN COMMITTEE EXPENSES.**

Any net increase in the aggregate amount of expenses of committees for the One Hundred Fifth Congress over the aggregate amount of funds appropriated for the expenses of committees for the One Hundred Fourth Congress shall be offset by reductions in expenses for other legislative branch activities.

When said resolution was considered. Pursuant to House Resolution 136, the following amendment in the nature of a substitute reported from the Committee on House Oversight was considered agreed to:

*Resolved,*

**SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred Fifth Congress, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accordance with this primary expense resolution, not more than the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each committee named in that subsection.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$7,656,162; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$8,901,617; Committee on the Budget, \$9,940,000; Committee on Commerce, \$14,535,406; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$10,125,113; Committee on House Oversight, \$6,050,349; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$4,815,526; Committee on International Relations, \$10,368,358; Committee on the Judiciary, \$10,604,041; Committee on National Security, \$9,721,745; Committee on Resources, \$9,876,550; Committee on Rules, \$4,649,102; Committee on Science, \$8,677,830; Committee on Small Business, \$3,906,941; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$2,456,300; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$12,184,459; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$4,344,160; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$11,036,907.

**SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 1997, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 1998.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$3,791,039; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$4,363,817; Committee on the Budget, \$4,970,000; Committee on Commerce,

\$7,122,959; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$5,002,127; Committee on House Oversight, \$3,042,603; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$2,358,040; Committee on International Relations, \$5,145,358; Committee on the Judiciary, \$5,054,800; Committee on National Security, \$4,719,454; Committee on Resources, \$4,800,014; Committee on Rules, \$2,306,407; Committee on Science, \$4,263,672; Committee on Small Business, \$1,936,471; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$1,276,300; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$5,992,229; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$2,084,368; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$5,366,700.

**SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 1998, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 1999.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$3,865,123; Committee on Banking and Financial Services, \$4,537,800; Committee on the Budget, \$4,970,000; Committee on Commerce, \$7,412,447; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$5,122,986; Committee on House Oversight, \$3,007,746; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$2,457,486; Committee on International Relations, \$5,223,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$5,549,241; Committee on National Security, \$5,002,291; Committee on Resources, \$5,076,536; Committee on Rules, \$2,342,695; Committee on Science, \$4,414,158; Committee on Small Business, \$1,970,470; Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, \$1,180,000; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$6,192,230; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$2,259,792; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$5,670,207.

**SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

Payments under this resolution shall be made on vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by the chairman of such committee, and approved in the manner directed by the Committee on House Oversight.

**SEC. 5 REGULATIONS.**

Amounts made available under this resolution shall be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Oversight.

**SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.**

The Committee on House Oversight shall have authority to make adjustments in amounts under section 1, if necessary to comply with an order of the President issued under section 254 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or to conform to any reduction in appropriations for the purposes of such section 1.

After debate,

Pursuant to House Resolution 136, the previous question was considered as ordered on the resolution, as amended.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to said resolution, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LATOURETTE, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. GEJDENSON objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas ..... 262  
Nays ..... 157

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[Roll No. 98]

YEAS—262

Aderholt	Galleghy	Oberstar
Archer	Ganske	Obey
Armey	Gejdenson	Packard
Bachus	Gekas	Parker
Baesler	Gibbons	Paxon
Baker	Gilchrest	Pease
Ballenger	Gillmor	Peterson (PA)
Barcia	Gilman	Petri
Barr	Gonzalez	Pickering
Barrett (NE)	Goodlatte	Pickett
Bartlett	Goodling	Pitts
Barton	Goss	Pomeroy
Bass	Graham	Porter
Bateman	Granger	Portman
Bereuter	Greenwood	Pryce (OH)
Berman	Gutknecht	Quinn
Bilbray	Hall (TX)	Radanovich
Bilirakis	Hamilton	Rahall
Bliley	Hansen	Ramstad
Blunt	Hastert	Regula
Boehlert	Hastings (WA)	Riggs
Boehner	Hayworth	Riley
Boenilla	Hefley	Roemer
Bono	Hill	Rogan
Borski	Hilleary	Rogers
Boucher	Hobson	Rohrabacher
Brady	Hoekstra	Ros-Lehtinen
Brown (CA)	Horn	Roukema
Bryant	Hostettler	Royce
Bunning	Houghton	Ryun
Burr	Hoyer	Sabo
Burton	Hunter	Salmon
Buyer	Hutchinson	Sanford
Callahan	Hyde	Saxton
Calvert	Inglis	Scarborough
Camp	Jenkins	Schaefer, Dan
Campbell	John	Schaffer, Bob
Canady	Johnson (CT)	Scott
Cannon	Johnson, Sam	Sensenbrenner
Castle	Jones	Sessions
Chabot	Kasich	Shadeegg
Chambliss	Kelly	Shaw
Chenoweth	Kildee	Shays
Christensen	Kilpatrick	Shimkus
Clay	Kim	Shuster
Coble	King (NY)	Sisisky
Coburn	Kingston	Skeen
Collins	Klink	Skelton
Combest	Klug	Smith (MI)
Conyers	Knollenberg	Smith (NJ)
Cook	Kolbe	Smith (OR)
Cooksey	LaFalce	Smith (TX)
Costello	LaHood	Smith, Linda
Cox	Largent	Snowbarger
Crane	Latham	Solomon
Crapo	LaTourette	Souder
Cubin	Lazio	Spence
Cunningham	Leach	Spratt
Davis (VA)	Lewis (KY)	Stearns
Deal	Linder	Stenholm
DeLay	Lipinski	Stump
Dellums	Livingston	Sununu
Diaz-Balart	LoBiondo	Talent
Dicks	Lucas	Tauzin
Dingell	Manzullo	Taylor (NC)
Doggett	Martinez	Thomas
Doolittle	McCollum	Thornberry
Dreier	McCery	Thune
Duncan	McDade	Towns
Dunn	McHale	Trafigant
Ehlers	McHugh	Upton
Ehrlich	McInnis	Visclosky
English	McKeon	Walsh
Ensign	McNulty	Wamp
Eshoo	Metcalf	Watkins
Evans	Mica	Watts (OK)
Everett	Miller (CA)	Weldon (FL)
Ewing	Miller (FL)	Weldon (PA)
Farr	Moakley	Weller
Fawell	Molinari	White
Fazio	Mollohan	Whitfield
Flake	Morella	Wicker
Foley	Murtha	Wise
Forbes	Nethercutt	Wolf
Fowler	Ney	Young (AK)
Fox	Northup	Young (FL)
Franks (NJ)	Norwood	
Frelinghuysen	Nussle	

NAYS—157

Abercrombie	Barrett (WI)	Blagojevich
Ackerman	Bentsen	Blumenauer
Allen	Berry	Bonior
Baldacci	Bishop	Boswell